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TASTING ARTICLES Spottswoode retrospective

A thoroughly uplifting series of rather atypical Napa Cabernets. One major reason I'm so glad that 5t Helena gets its own map and page in the new World Atlas of Wine is that two of my favourite Napa Valley wine producers are based there, coincidentally both run by women and both of them famous for the subtlety and restraint of their wines. There is Cathy Corison's eponymous winery and...

16 Oct 2019 Janels Robinson



INSIDE INFORMATION Cirò - the past

For the first of three reports. Walter ventures to the far

16 Oct 2019 Walter Speller





TASTING ARTICLES Marqués de Riscal past and future

A look into the past and a elimpse of the future. A ...

power cuts affect this year's vintage? Last week... Alistair Cooper MW

How will northern California's 15 Oct 2019 Alder Varrow

ALDER ON AMERICA

Powerless to

California

pause harvest in



INSIDE INFORMATION

Diary of a Willamette cellar rat - part 6

Samantha Cole-Johnson explains hoses, presses and barrelling this week. I don't

Guest contributor



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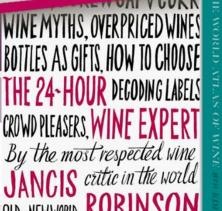
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Grape Varieties

Wine is a combination of place and grape variety, of which there is a buffling array.



COMPLETELY REVISED The World Atlas of

WINE GRAPES

A complete guide to 1,368 vine varieties, including their origins and flavours

JANCIS ROBINSON

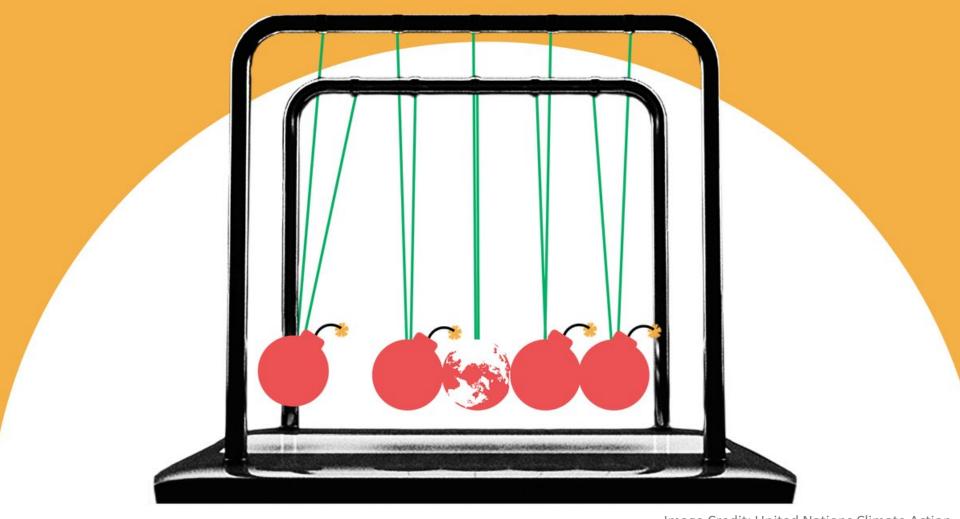
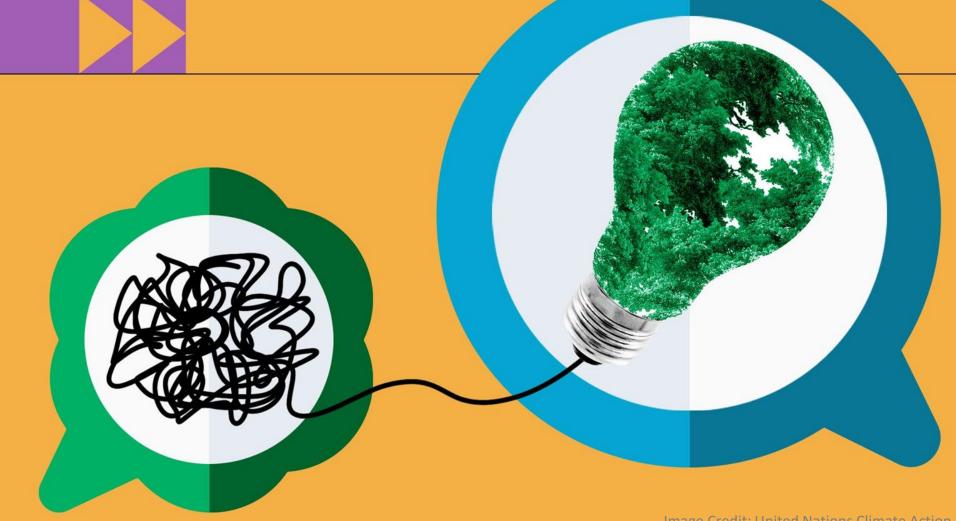


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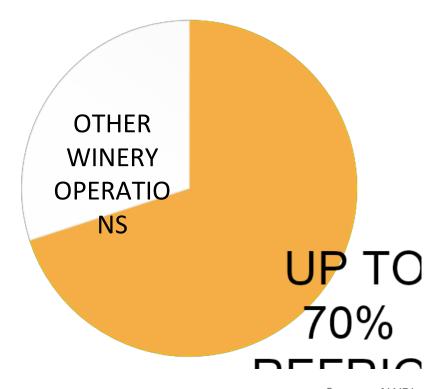
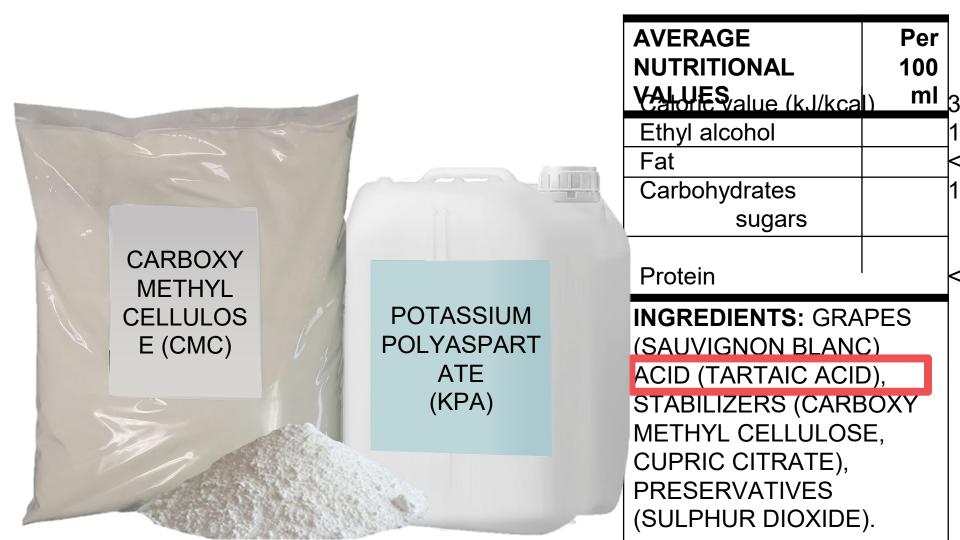
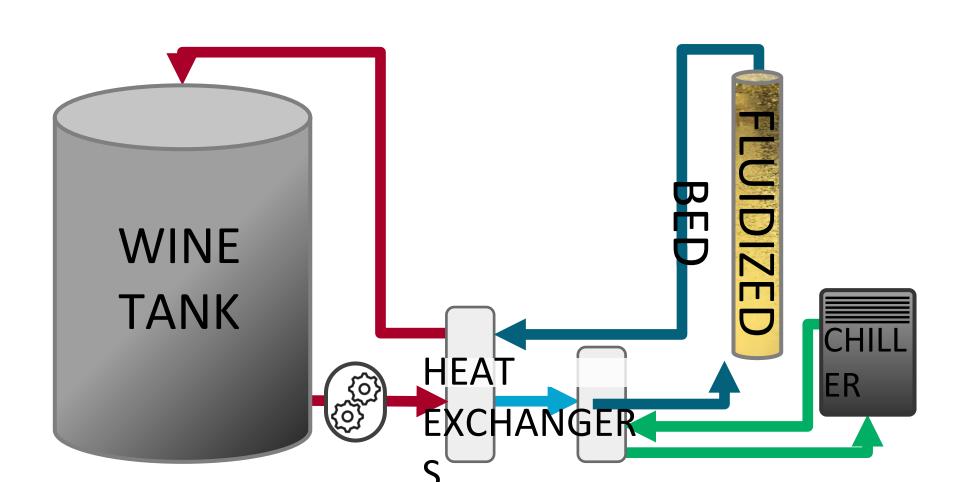


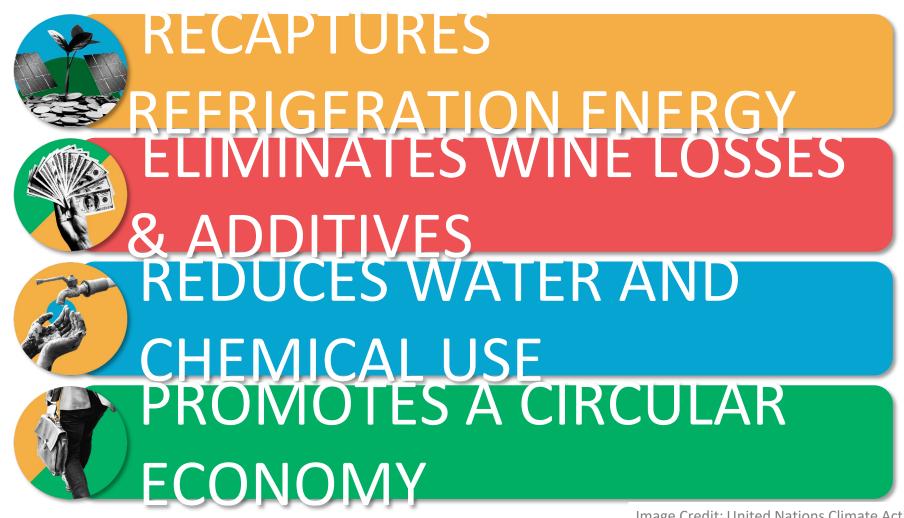
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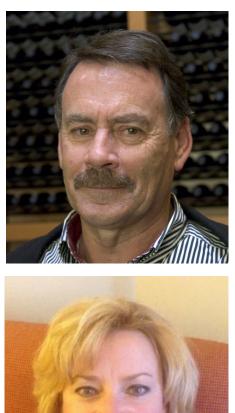




























LIVING ROOM SALON THE WATER: ENERGY: CLIMATE NEXUS

Expert Speakers:

- Erica Löfving, Sustainable Winegrowing Consultant
- Jay Famiglietti, Global Futures Professor, ASU School of Sustainability and former Senior Water Scientist, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- Matt Crafton, Winemaker, Chateau Montelena Winery
- Jason Moulton, Winemaker, Whitehall Lane Winery

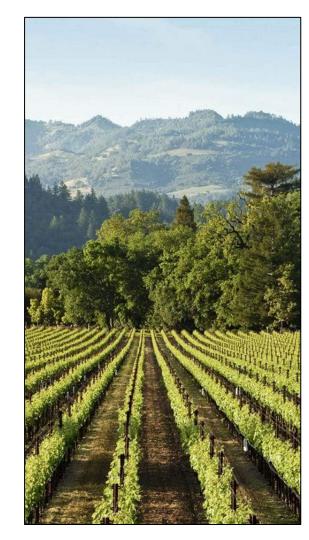












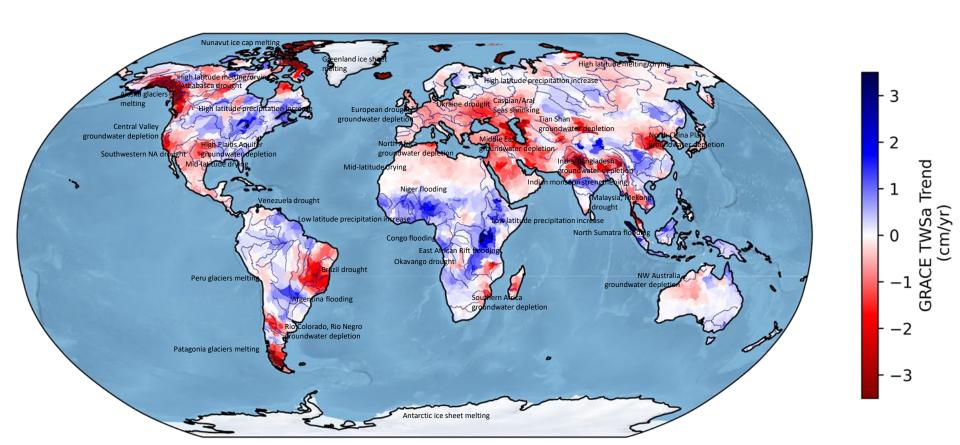




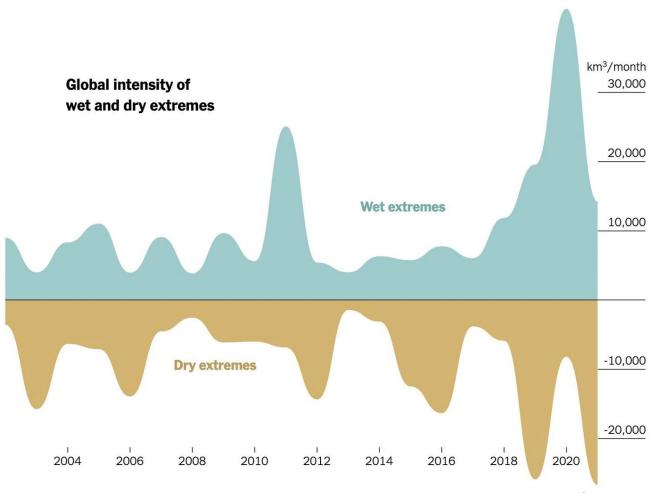




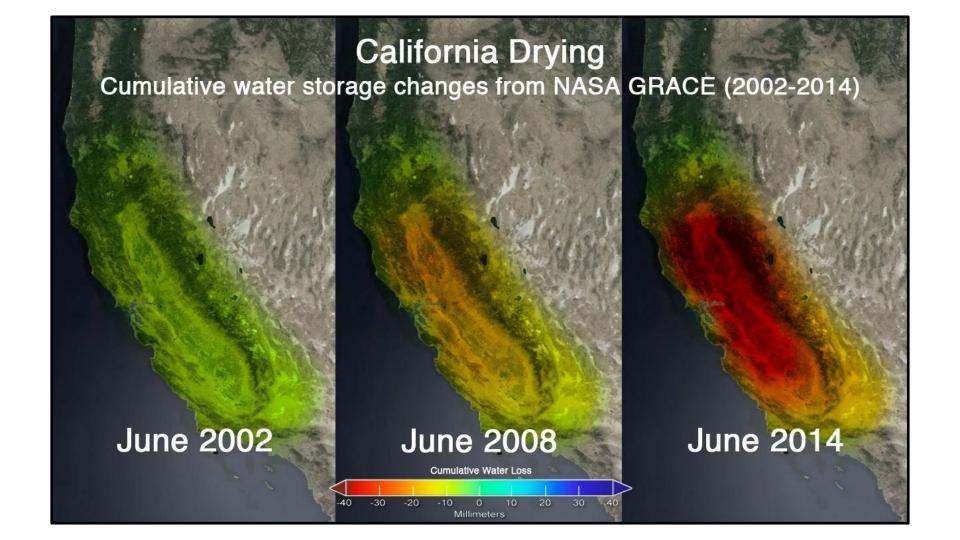


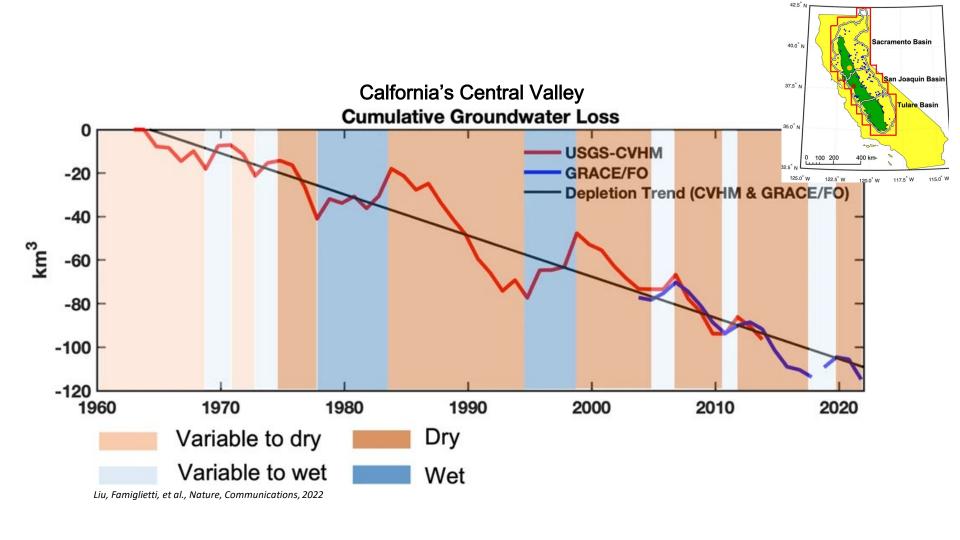


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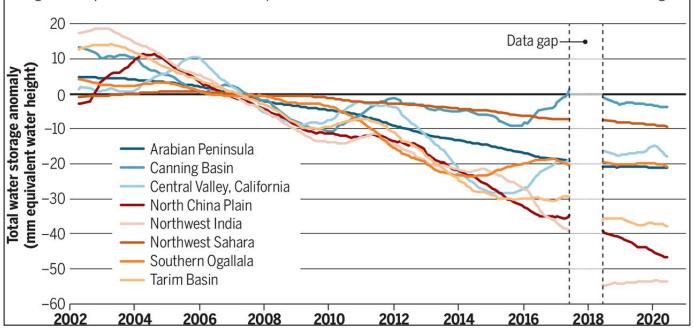
NY Times, March 14, 2023





Watching groundwater depletion from the sky

Changes in total water storage are shown for regions within several mid-latitude aquifer systems from the NASA Gravity Recovery and Climate Experiment (GRACE) and follow-on (GRACE-FO) satellite missions. Vertical dashed lines indicate the data gap between the GRACE and GRACE-FO missions. Monthly storage changes are reported as anomalies for the period from March 2002 to June 2020 with 24-month smoothing.



"If you would persuade, appeal to interest and not to reason.

- Benjamin Franklin, Poor Richard's Almanack



Energy & Water – Are they Really Different?



How Do We Bank this Precious Resource?

Groundwater?

What else can we do?



Let's Build a Reservoir!

Oh wait.....

- SWRCB
- o CDFW
- NOAA/NMFS
- CEQA
- Here's an Example:

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You're Right, Matt – It's Time for the Stick:

More Regulation?



Well, Maybe There's a Better Way: The Carrot

- California Solar Initiative
 - 2007 \$3.3B program to install 3000 MW of distributed solar by 2017 (1750MW in the General Market Program)
 - 2021 11,106 MW had been installed at 1.26 million sites
 - o Incentives: Tax Credits, Regulatory Relief, Encourage Technology Development

Can we do this with water?



Let's Build a Reservoir Storage!

- Small Scale Wineries
- What about TMDL and the Fish?
- Utility Scale Storage
 - Deliver water to farmers so they don't need to pump groundwater
 - Oroville releasing 35,000 CFS on 3/18 = 2900 acre feet per hour = 943 million gallons / hour = every hour is water for an entire year for 3000-6000 households
 - Prop 1 (2014).....nothing has been built

If You Don't Believe that the Carrot Works, Ask the Class of 1972....

Revenue Act of 1971

- Dollar for dollar tax <u>credit</u> for vineyards, orchards, machinery and equipment
- 25 new wineries founded in 1972 alone Montelena, Silver Oak, Caymus, Jordan, Clos du Val, etc
- CA grape acreage more than doubles from 1968 to 1977



The Carrot or the Stick?

"Never, ever, think about something else when you should be thinking about the power of incentives."

— Charlie Munger



Solutions to prepare for a better future in Napa Valley



"Whitehall Lane Winery and Vineyards is a local family-owned and operated winery in the Rutherford Appellation of Napa Valley, dedicated to growing and making premium, world-class wines, while providing excellent hospitality with Napa Green certified and sustainable practices"

What is Whitehall Lane doing to play its part?

- Energy efficiency
 - Solar
 - Refrigeration via glycol-powered cooling
 - Avoiding unnecessary production goals
- Water conservation in the winery
 - Changing wine protocols
 - Avoid quarterly racking>>>less water
 - Steaming and controlled barrel washing
- Water conservation strategies in the vineyard
 - Galcon, Ceres, Geovit, VFDs in wells
- Napa Green Certified



Conversion to solar



- Solar panels covering most of our allowable roof area
- Metrics of winery power use
 - >15 kWH/case needs improvement
 - 10-15 kWH/case is okay
 - < 10 kWH/case is excellent</p>
 - Whitehall Lane at 7.2 kWH/case!!!



Water Conservation in the Winery

- Steaming post racking not only melts tartrates, but it can also kill microbes and rehydrate barrels
- Reduces amount of barrel washing time. Less hot water, resulting in lower consumption of both propane and natural gas
- Steaming can also melt tartrates off of tanks if you use it correctly post cold-stabilization.
 Saves on time, water, pressure washing, chemicals, etc.





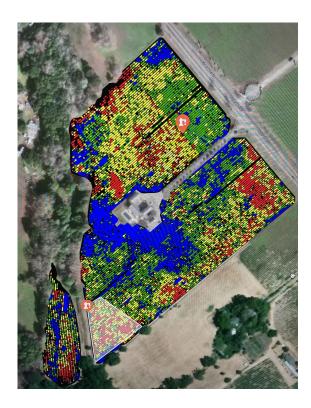
Water Conservation in the Winery



- Tom Beard Company barrel washer
 - Programs hot/cold/ozone water
 - Collect lees
 - O Times out hot water rinsing post steaming
 - 30 second wash = 2.5 gallons per barrel
- Waste water settling system and leach field posttreatment>>>potassium based chemicals a bonus
 - O Retention ponds? How much \$\$\$? How much regulation?
- Metrics in the winery
 - O 3-6 gal/case of wine is excellent
 - O Whitehall Lane at 8-10 gal/case!!!
 - Room to improve



Water Conservation in Vineyards



- Ceres aerial imaging flights
 - O NDVI, Water Stress, and thermal imaging
 - Detects leaks, weak/diseased vines, or overwatering
- Galcon remote irrigation technology
 - Cloud-based irrigation software
 - Remote solenoids and flow meters
 - O Can control via time vs. volume and see leaks through alert settings
- VFD (variable frequency drive) installations on wells
 - Recent drought led to drop in water table, concentrating minerals and changing pH in water
 - Corroded pipes and increased back pressure
 - In sequence with cycle stop valves, can increase well casing depreciation
 - Clogs emitters over time



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Looking ahead to the future: Expect the unexpected









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